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Mayor Will Select Woods on Monday as Head of Police

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THREE DEAD, TWO MISSING WHEN NEW THEATRE WALL COLLAPSES ON WORKMEN

New Structure on Church Avenue, Brooklyn, Crumbles
When Near Completion.

MEN BURIED IN DEBRIS.

One Man Taken Out Alive and
Search Is Being Made
for Others.

A retaining wall of the New Flatbush Theatre, in course of construction in Church avenue near Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn, collapsed this afternoon while workmen were engaged in cleaning debris from the orchestra pit and three men were crushed to death. Three others were buried in the ruins. One was taken out alive and search is being made for the other two.

The building, a brick structure, was nearly completed. Side walls, rear wall and part of the front were up and work was hurrying forward on it. Carpenters, bricklayers and helpers were on the job.

The retaining wall crashed in while many of the men were within the building, on the finished part of the roof or on scaffolds along the wall. The wall crumbled and toppled inward with a roar and crash which was heard for blocks and brought folk running, principally women and children, from all over the neighborhood. It converted the inside of the theatre into a mass of debris, from which came the cries of the men buried and injured.

Workmen who had been outside the building rushed to the help of their comrades with picks and shovels and soon were digging furiously at the wreckage. A fire alarm was turned in and men from various engine and truck companies lent their aid. The rescues came from the Snyder avenue station, roped off the street, and turned with the others to the task of digging.

Three bodies were extricated quickly. The men had been crushed and smothered. Another man was pulled out shortly after. He was senseless, but there was life in him, and he was rushed to the Kings County Hospital.

The injured man was Giuseppe Genino of No. 597 Flushing avenue. Of the dead, one was unidentified. He had come to work this morning. The others were Frank Tufts of No. 724 Lorimer street and Francesco De Banna, address unknown.

The work was being done by the Borough Operating Company of No. 1158 Myrtle avenue, and the architect and superintendent of construction, Robert T. Rasmussen, was arrested, charged with criminal negligence.

April Activity!

The Spring rejuvenation that New York undergoes every year is on in full blast.

The Spring renting season is at hand. Farms are being bought at a lively clip.

Workers are wanted for city, country and seashore.

For various reasons established business enterprises are being sacrificed. Boats and autos are in great demand. Painters, carpenters, gardeners, etc., are answering "hurry up" calls everywhere.

World ads. Invite thousands to participate in the great Spring business revival every day.

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WORLD ADS. MORE THAN
LAST MONTH THE HERALD

Read World Ads. for Greatest Variety of Opportunities and Use World Ads. for Quick Results!

MRS. SHAW, WHO LED
TO THE ARREST OF
RICHARD S. DARLING.



DARLING SET FREE; IN JAIL ONE NIGHT AS WIFE STEALER

Mother of Real Estate Man Accused by Banker Shaw
Signs His Bond.

SAYS HE WILL GET EVEN.

Shaw Declares He Will Press
Charges to Maintain Purity
of American Homes.

After a night in the White Plains lockup Richard S. Darling, wealthy real estate operator and National Guardsman of Manhattan, charged with having taken the eighteen-year-old wife of Robert M. Shaw, a banker of No. 20 Broad street, to the Gedney Farms for immoral purposes, was released to-day on \$5,000 bail by Judge Platt in the Westchester County Court. His mother furnished the bond for him.

"When I go to trial," he exclaimed angrily, "I will prove some things on Shaw which will not be to his liking."

He pleaded not guilty to the charge and Judge Platt set the trial for April 15.

Later the joyous mood of Banker Shaw was made known in a written statement issued at his home, No. 574 West End avenue. The statement read:

"Naturally I am greatly pleased, not so much from the personal gratification and vindication of my honor, but for the sake of the object lesson that it teaches to the so-called men of the Darling type. Unfortunately, for social conditions, this class is rapidly increasing, and it is about time that one of their number should be called to account."

"In order to accomplish this I have had, and will still have, a great deal of unpleasant notoriety and scandal, but I make this sacrifice gladly, if I can aid even in the smallest degree in upholding the honor, dignity and purity of the American home."

Darling had expected his arrest, for earlier in the day he telephoned to his lawyer, Frank C. Hayden of No. 42 Broadway, and offered to give himself up. Meantime Sheriff Doyle and Deputy Moore had come to New York.

Darling, who lives at No. 167 West Seventy-second street, has a large picture of Mrs. Shaw in a silver frame in a dresser in his room, the Sheriff says. Doyle saw it when he permitted Darling to go there before proceeding to White Plains.

Mrs. Shaw is suing in the Supreme Court for an annulment of her marriage. Darling is being sued for \$50,000 for alleged alienation of the affections of Mrs. Shaw, whom he first met at a tango tea party. Mr. Hayden represents Mrs. Shaw in the annulment suit and Darling in the alienation suit.

SUES SEVEN GIRLS FOR COLLEGE HAZING; ASKS \$7,000 DAMAGES

Student Says She Was
Smeared With Red Ink, Stuck
With Pins, Ducked in Tub.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 2.—As a result of a hazing in the girls' dormitory of Purdue University last January, Mabel Rogers of Shoals, Ind., to-day filed suit against seven senior girls, demanding \$7,000. The plaintiff, who is a first year girl, alleges that up to the time she was hazed she was a healthy girl with normal eyes, but now her sight is impaired and her health destroyed.

Miss Rogers, in her complaint, alleges that on a certain day in January, while she was preparing her lessons, seven girls dragged her from her room, tore off her clothing, painted her chest, back and neck with red ink, poured mud on her back and stuck her with pins in an effort to compel her to kneel to her assailants. She further avers that she was ducked in a tub of water.

Miss Rogers names the following as defendants: Agnes Phillips, Monroe, Ind.; May Blue, Star City; Mary Clark, Indianapolis; Esther Kliner, Terre Haute; Helen Lee, Oxford; Mary Sheridan, Attica; Ruth Cowan, Chicago.

LIND COMING HOME FOR A VACATION

Wilson Says Special Envoy Will
Return to Mexico After His
Health Is Bettered.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—President Wilson announced to-day that John Lind, his personal representative in Mexico, would sail for the United States from Vera Cruz tomorrow on a vacation, but would return later after he had a rest.

The President said the special envoy was returning to the United States to better his health, which has become impaired by his stay in Mexico. Lind is to go to French Lick, Springs. He will sail from Vera Cruz on the hospital ship Solace and land at Galveston, Tex.

The President said Mr. Lind's return should not be interpreted as meaning any change of policy.

MAYOR TO NAME WOODS ON MONDAY HEAD OF POLICE

Mayor Leaves on Another Vacation, Declaring His Mind
is Still Open.

BRUERE IS SUGGESTED.

Hint that Mitchel Would Like
City Chamberlain to Make
Sacrifice of Salary.

Arthur Woods, the Mayor's Secretary, appears to have the inside track in the race for the appointment of a Police Commissioner to succeed Douglas I. McKay. But the finish line is some distance off and Mayor Mitchel, who is to be the final judge, does not contemplate reaching a decision before next Monday. If City Chamberlain Bruere should tell the Mayor that he would sacrifice his \$12,000 pleasant job for the tempestuous \$7,500 office of Police Commissioner he would probably get the appointment.

This much is known: Arthur H. Woods wants the Police Commissioner's job and City Chamberlain Henry Bruere does not know whether or not he really does want it. Mayor Mitchel, on the other hand, has not eliminated George W. Perkins from the race.

"My mind is absolutely open," said the Mayor, "and there is not a scintilla of truth in the reports that I have actually decided upon any one. I give you my word that as soon as I make up my mind I shall make that fact public. I will say that there is no human being qualified to announce that I have picked a Police Commissioner."

The Mayor then admitted that Woods, Bruere and Perkins have all been considered and that none need be eliminated.

The Mayor is in a trying position. Some of his friends say that if his wishes could be read the name of Bruere for Police Commissioner would lead all the rest. The City Chamberlain is almost tempted to accept the Police Commissioner's job. The very fact that some of his friends have advised him against it because of its dangers and pitfalls is said to have caused Mr. Bruere to consider the Commissioner's job more seriously than he would have otherwise.

WON'T ADMIT HE HAS BEEN OFFERED JOB.

"Have you been offered the Police Commissioner's job?" Mr. Bruere was asked.

"That question will have to be answered by the Mayor," replied the City Chamberlain. "I am a subordinate of the Mayor, and it would be improper for me to discuss any matter of that kind."

"Would you accept the Police Commissioner's job?" was the next question.

"I think the Police Commissioner's job is one of the finest opportunities for service in the United States."

Commissioner McKay attended the funeral in Brooklyn of Policeman Wynn, who was shot by a burglar and did not reach Headquarters until afternoon. He said he had nothing to add to the statement he made yesterday, announcing that his resignation had been in the hands of the Mayor since last Friday morning.

The popularity of Commissioner McKay with the rank and file of the department was apparent to-day in the widespread regret expressed at his approaching retirement.

Although Commissioner McKay will not criticize the administration, his friends know that his position has been most disagreeable. Few of the suggestions he has made have been acted upon, but undoubtedly they will be put into effect as soon as his

WILL PAY IN FULL IF SIEGEL AND VOGEL ARE FREED

This Offer Is Said to Come
to Depositors From Backers
in Chicago.

TALK OF "GUILTY" PLEA.

Counsel See Whitman and It
Is Presumed Clemency
Will Be Assured.

There is strong feeling to-day among those who are trying to guide the depositors in the Henry M. Siegel Bank through the moves incident to a recovery of a part of their moneys at least, that their accounts may be paid dollar for dollar, so that none of the burden of the Siegel Company failure will fall on their shoulders.

This feeling manifested itself after Samuel Hoffman, counsel to the Depositors' Committee, and afterward, John B. Stanchfield, counsel to Siegel and his partner, Frank E. Vogel, had had conferences to-day with District Attorney Whitman.

First came Mr. Hoffman and it is known that he discussed with Mr. Whitman the introduction into the situation of the Nelson Morris interests in Chicago, which will go far to save Mr. Vogel. The \$450,000 fund which the bankers offered to their depositors on condition that they be not required to use it for their own defense in criminal prosecutions, has been swelled to \$500,000 and it is understood that if an agreement could be made which would assure Siegel and Vogel immunity from punishment this fund would be immediately increased sufficiently to meet the claim in full of every depositor.

Several days ago Mr. Whitman replied to a proposal of somewhat this sort that the matter of the prosecution of the bankers had passed out of his hands.

"Through if Mr. Siegel and Mr. Vogel," said he, "were to make full restitution and then come to court and plead guilty, I could ask clemency for them."

Whether he repeated this advice to-day Mr. Whitman would not say, nor would Mr. Hoffman discuss it, though the lawyer seemed satisfied when he left the office. So did Mr. Stanchfield when he departed after a brief conference with the District Attorney, and word spread quickly around the Criminal Courts Building that plans had been perfected for the bankers to pay their depositors in full and that they would plead guilty to the indictments and throw themselves on the mercy of the court, strong in the assurance that clemency would be extended to them.

Ten or a dozen new indictments are being prepared against the bankers, being now in the hands of the printers, and these, it is said, would be handed up to Judge Rosinsky in General Sessions on Monday. They will charge grand larceny in the obtaining of money from other banks in 1912 on false statements of resources.

BENNETT IMPROVED, HIS DOCTORS REPORT

Condition of Editor Sick in Cairo
Declared Better To-Day—
Passed Good Night.

CAIRO, Egypt, April 2.—James Gordon Bennett's condition had improved to-day, according to the physicians in attendance, who stated that the proprietor of the New York Herald had passed a good night.

Former Alderman Gets Tax Job.
Niles R. Becker, former Alderman from the Fifteenth Aldermanic District, was today appointed assistant to Tax Commissioner Charles F. White at a salary of \$2,500 a year. Becker is a Republican and was Alderman from 1909 to 1912.

MAYOR'S SECRETARY,
WHO MAY BECOME
HEAD OF THE POLICE.



BASEBALL SEASON GETS EARLY START AT EBBETS FIELD

Four Thousand Fans Shiver in
Stands as Highlanders and
Dodgers Line Up.

SCORE BY INNINGS

HIGHLANDERS—
0 0 1 0 0 0
BROOKLYN—
1 0 0 0 0 0

BATTING ORDER.

Brooklyn. Highlanders.
Dalton, cf. Maisei, 3b.
Daubert, 1b. Hartzel, 2b.
Whit, lf. Walsh, lf.
Cuthbert, 2b. Williams, 1b.
Smith, 2b. Holden, cf.
Stengel, rf. Gilhooly, rf.
Egan, ss. Peckinpaugh, ss.
McCarthy, c. Sweeney, c.
Reulbach, p. McHale, p.
Umpires—Joseph O'Brien, American League; Robert, Emille, National League.

(Special to The Evening World.)

EBBETS FIELD, BROOKLYN, April 2.—Baseball got its 1914 start in these parts here to-day. Of course it wasn't the season's official opening, but it afforded the fans their first glimpse at what Robinson's Dodgers and Frank Chance have to offer in the way of pennant possibilities.

Three thousand rooters faced a chilling wind to make things right with Robby and fully a third that many came over from New York to make Frank Chance feel natural on the job. There was no sunshine and no summer warmth to make one's mind turn to baseball, but the old bug was buzzing around in the minds of the fans.

Between shivers they yelled for Nap Rucker, King Cole and even the youngsters who have just learned to don their big league clothes.

Between times a brass band kept things lively even if it couldn't do anything in the way of steam heat. The brewery next door helped some during practice, but even that couldn't check the shivers that chased up and down one's spine. For an hour it was feared there would be no game, but the rooters persistently stuck to their places in line and Charlie Ebbets and Tom Davis, being almighty

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SEALING SHIPS LOST, CREWS PERISH ON ICE IN A BLIZZARD

Steamer Newfoundland, With 150
on Board, Known to Have Been
Lost, and Southern Cross, With
173, Is Probably Gone.

4,000 MEN IN FLEETS
HIT BY THE BLIZZARD

Wireless Reports 120 of Newfoundland's Crew Were on Ice This Morning Without Food or Shelter.

(Special to The Evening World.)

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., April 2.—Out of many conflicting statements which have reached there by wireless during the day it has been finally established that the sealing steamer Newfoundland was crushed in the ice just south of Belle Isle Strait during a terrific blizzard Tuesday night or Wednesday morning and it is believed that nearly all of her crew of 150 men have been drowned or frozen to death.

The storm, which began Tuesday night, continues unabated to-day. Telegraph service to points along the coast is interrupted and the only news comes intermittently by wireless. It is feared that the loss of life will run above 300 in the sealing steamer fleet when all the returns are in.

SIX ESCAPE PRISON, ONE FACED GALLOWS

Convict Sentenced to Die This
Month Saws Way, With Others,
Out of Steel Cage.

CAIRO, Ill., April 2.—William Wilson, with five other prisoners, sawed his way out of the steel cage, broke out a section of the brick wall and escaped from Alexandria County jail at Cairo early to-day while guards were at lunch at a nearby restaurant. Wilson murdered Special Officer Thomas C. Logan of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad here last January and had been convicted and sentenced to be hanged April 24. As soon as the escape was discovered, Sheriff Fraser called out his full force of deputies and with bloodhounds scoured the surrounding country. The dogs trailed the fugitives along the railroad track to the northern part of the city, where the scent was lost and it is supposed they boarded a train at that point.

Sheriff Fraser has called for Wilson's capture, dead or alive, and has offered a reward of \$200. Wilson once escaped from the Ohio State penitentiary, where he was serving a life sentence.

Great alarm is also felt for the sealing steamer Southern Cross, which is also believed to have been caught in the ice. The first reports received here said that it was a part of the crew of the Southern Cross that had been picked up and that they were being brought into port by the Newfoundland. There are 173 men on board the Southern Cross. She was due here Tuesday.

The captain of the Newfoundland was Wesley Keen. Magre reports relayed from one vessel to another by wireless and more or less confused state that of the crew of the Newfoundland 120 men were still on the ice floes this morning. It is thought possible that some of the bodies picked up on the ice were those of members of the crew of the Southern Cross.

ON THE ICE FLOES WITHOUT FOOD OR SHELTER.

One report says that the men who left the Newfoundland were scattered by the moving ice fields in different directions, radiating from the wreck like the spokes from a wheel. The wind was blowing a gale offshore and there was a blinding snowstorm in which the crew would be unable to find their way in any direction. They had little food when they left the ship and no extra clothing. Without tents or other shelter many succumbed to hunger and exposure. It is feared here that very few will survive. Vessels sent out from here are searching among the ice floes.

About twenty vessels were in the

The legal officers of the department are trying to decide whether they must be returned to the bankers' wife or excluded from the country as pests.